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## Further Application of

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**For: COMPUTER IMPLEMENTED RESOURCE ALLOCATION MODEL AND PROCESS  
TO DYNAMICALLY AND OPTIMALLY SCHEDULE AND ARBITRARY NUMBER OF  
RESOURCES SUBJECT TO AN ARBITRARY NUMBER OF CONSTRAINTS IN THE  
MANAGED CARE, HEALTH CARE AND/OR PHARMACY INDUSTRY**

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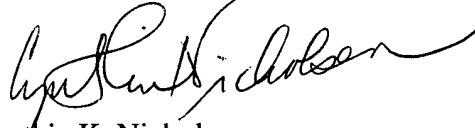
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